

congratulations for this long and outstanding record of achievement.●

IN HONOR OF THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CENTER FOR PROCESS ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY

● Ms. CANTWELL. Mr. President, I rise today to say a few words in honor of the 20th anniversary of the Center for Process Analytical Chemistry, located on the University of Washington campus. The center has made numerous contributions to the world of manufacturing, the University of Washington, and the progress of its students that I wish to recognize today.

In 1984, CPAC was initiated by the National Science Foundation as an Industry/University Cooperative Research Center with the specific mission of supporting the restoration and continuous improvement of U.S. industry by enhancing globally competitive manufacturing.

Through the discovery and development of new analytical technologies for use in the manufacturing process, CPAC research has developed new measurement tools to provide continuous real-time measurement needed for industrial and environmental processes. The information gathered with these tools is used to implement process optimization and control, thus enabling product and process quality management, environmental protection, pollution prevention, crisis alerting, and worker safety.

For 20 years, award-winning faculty, research scientists, postdoctoral associates, visiting scientists, and graduate students have gathered at CPAC to collaborate on research projects. As a result, over 100 graduate students have been granted their Ph.D.s while working with CPAC, making immediate contributions to their employers because of their exposure to the challenges of industry.

Through partnership with leaders in industry, and the sharing of research funding between the University of Washington, leading global corporations such as the Boeing Company and Systematix Controls, several national laboratories, and the National Institute of Standards & Technology, CPAC has produced more than 20 patented inventions, meeting the demand for advanced technology in the aerospace, petroleum, chemical manufacturing, pharmaceutical and food industries.

Streamlining the manufacturing process is critical to meeting the ever-changing demands of the world's economy. Long-term economic trends—including technological advances and increasing globalization—will continue to increase the demand for greater efficiencies, and improved processes. The fact that the majority of original industry partners continue to work with the CPAC to improve their products is a testament to the relevancy and quality of the work conducted at the center. I congratulate the Center for Proc-

ess Analytical Chemistry on their 20th anniversary.●

JACK VALENTI

● Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I am pleased and honored to salute my good friend Jack Valenti, who retired last week after 38 years as president and CEO of the Motion Picture Association of America, MPAA, and its international counterpart, the Motion Picture Association, MPA.

Jack came to MPAA in 1966 directly from the White House, where he had served with distinction as special assistant to President Lyndon Johnson. His Government background prepared him to become an effective ambassador for the motion picture industry both at home and abroad. During his long and productive tenure at MPAA, he worked with eight Presidents of the United States and established an international "diplomatic corps" with offices around the world to promote the movie industry and protect its intellectual property rights.

When Jack Valenti took the helm at MPAA, its member companies were focused on domestic production and distribution, with little thought about international markets. Today American films, TV programs, and home entertainment are shown in more than 150 countries worldwide, with international revenues of more than \$16.5 billion a year.

Along with his work in the global arena, Jack will be remembered as the pioneer of the film industry's voluntary movie rating system. In developing the system, Jack reached out to film studios, independent producers, writers, directors, theater owners, the religious community, and children's advocacy groups. The resulting system helps families to make informed decisions about the movies they see.

Under Jack Valenti's leadership, the U.S. film industry has thrived and remained a vibrant source of entertainment, creativity, jobs, and economic growth. Along with moviegoers across America and round the world, I thank him for his brilliant work and wish him all the best in the years to come.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:10 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Chiappardi, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5006. An act making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-9036. A communication from the Inspector General, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office's Audit Report register for the period ending March 31, 2004; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9037. A communication from the Auditor of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Comparative Analysis of Actual Cash Collections to Revised Revenue Estimates Through the 1st Quarter of Fiscal Year 2004"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9038. A communication from the Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Administration's competitive sourcing activities; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9039. A communication from the Associate Special Counsel for Legal Counsel and Policy, Office of Special Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination confirmed, change in previously submitted reported information and discontinuation of service in acting role for the position of Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel, received on August 6, 2004; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9040. A communication from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the first half of fiscal year 2004; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9041. A communication from the Director, Publications Management Group, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Posting Regulations" (RIN3206-AK34) received on August 6, 2004; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9042. A communication from the Director, Publications Management Group, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extended Assignment Incentives" (RIN3206-AK01) received on August 6, 2004; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-9043. A communication from the Vice Chair, Election Assistance Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Statement of Policy Regarding National Mail Voter Registration Form" received on August 18, 2004; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-9044. A communication from the Chairman, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a violation of the Antideficiency Act in the amount of \$161,400; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-9045. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled